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Concord, June 11<sup>th</sup> 1862  
My dear Sir;

Your letter of  
the 8<sup>th</sup> inst. inquiring concern-  
ing the death of Henry Tho-  
mas is just received, and  
I hasten to answer it.

A slight notice of the funeral  
was printed in the Bos-  
ton Transcript of May 16<sup>th</sup>  
(I think,) and the Advertiser  
of the 9<sup>th</sup> had a  
notice of himself by Mr  
Emerson.

A more extended notice, con-  
sisting of the Eulogy & spoken at  
his funeral, with additions,  
will appear in the Atten-  
tion Monthly for August -  
and will be the answer  
to many of your inquiries.

His illness was a long-  
ing one - a year and a  
half, at least; the last  
six months of which he  
was able to go out doors  
but little. He endured



to with great patience  
and sweetness, preserving  
his gaiety and wit to  
the last. I was often with  
him, having known him well  
for the last seven years.

You have indeed missed  
much in not having met  
him, for he well supported  
the newspaper left by his  
writing.

His mother and sister  
who survive him, Mrs Cynthia  
and Miss Sophia Thoreau, de-

doe me to say that they  
have remembered you frend-  
ly letters to Mr Thoreau, and  
have desired to send  
you some token of their  
remembrance, they therefore  
enclose these verses of Henry  
Channing, and Mr Emerson's  
advertiser sketch.

At the funeral, which was in  
the church, Mr Emerson spoke  
after the clergyman - Mr Chan-  
ning's hymn was sung, and  
Mr Alcott read some passages  
from the writings of Mr Thoreau.

I hope you may carry out your  
purpose of visiting Concord, and shall  
be glad to talk with you then on  
a subject so dear to both of us.  
Yours truly J. B. Seaborn